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**Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 OR 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2005, setting a three month shortened statutory period for response, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 4.

Remarks begin on page 6.